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OUTLINES.

Total losses by fire at Hull and Hwa, estimated at $20,000,000; total France, $12,000,000. —— North Carolina defeated Georgia in a game ball at Atlanta, nine to four. —— The latest estimate of Boer forces is 0,000. —— The Senate yesterday ded to seat Senator Scott of West Virginia. —— It is feared the United States will be compelled to enforce its demands upon Turkey. —— Cartagena, the chief port of Colombia, has fallen into the hands of the revolutionists. —— Heaviest rain in Waco, Texas, and vicinity in fifteen years; number of people drowned. —— Massachusetts bank at Strasburg, Va., robbed of $5,000 by burglars. —— A sympathetic strike of railroad telegraph operators on important lines south of the Mississippi in aid of the Southern railway operators may be ordered. —— Tornado at Bloom, Texas, destroyed several buildings. —— Tobacco from Sparger Bros., Mount Airy, N. C., has been seized at San Francisco. —— Posses are searching for a train robber in White county, Ga., who got off with $500 booty. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 2@2½ per cent.; the last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 9 13-16c; flour generately active and steady; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 78½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 46½c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 32c; rosin quiet, strained common to good $1.60; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., April 27.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 65 degrees; 2 P. M., 66 degrees; maximum, 80 degrees; minimum, 59 degrees; mean, 70 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, T.; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.83 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 17.0 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Light to moderate showers reported all but the Wilmington district. Generally clear weather prevailed from the Mississippi valley eastward, with slightly cooler in the Mississippi valley. Cloudy weather continues in Arkansas and Texas.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—For North Carolina—Fair Saturday, showers Sunday; fresh northeasterly winds.

Port Almanac---April 28.

Sun Rises	5.11 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.44 P. M.
Day's Length	13 H. 33 M.
High Water at Southport.	7.20 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	9.50 P. M.

As a failist Jas. R. Willard, a Chicago broker, was a success. He failed for $845,000; assets nil.

Hon. Chauncey M. Depew rises to remark that the U. S. Senate is as great as it ever was. Of course it is. Who don't Chauncey in it?

Fruit peddlers with their pushcarts swarm so numerous in some parts of New York that the wonder is how they live from the small profits on their business divided among so many.

A lot of shamrock seed has been sent to South Africa to be planted on the graves of Irish soldiers who have fallen in the war against the Boers. There is a good deal of sham in this new-born love for the shamrock among the English.

Mrs. Howard Gould is a tony dresser, and is just now enjoying the luxury of a law suit for a balance of $2,175 on her $2,185 dress bill for '99. Her dresses range from $225 to $350 in cost, with under-garments and other trappings in proportion.

While the Boers in other parts are giving the British a lively time about their kopjes, &c., the Free Staters in Bloemfontein, are lifting the cash out of them by selling them bread at two shillings a loaf, sugar at two and half shillings a pound and Swiss milk at three shillings a can, and other things in proportion.

The British soldiers in South Africa enveighed against the habit of Boer soldiers lying in ambush and shooting British pickets, scouts, &c., but since they have gone into that they denounced as "sniping" themselves, and shoot Boer farmers and teamsters. Among civilized people that isn't war, it is murder.

A Kansas man took a wayfarer in, kept him in the family and treated him kindly. To show his gratitude and show the family how much he thought of them he set fire to the house in the middle of the night just to get a chance to rescue them. He will now be taken care of in the penitentiary, where his supply of matches will be limited.

Benefit Concert.

It is now definitely announced that the benefit concert to be given by Miss Norma Foster will take place Monday evening at the Young Men's Christian Association auditorium. An excellent programme is being arranged and the admission fee is only twenty-five cents.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The tone of the cotton market changed from quiet to steady yesterday on a basis of 9½ cents for middling.

— The Excelsior Knitting Mills, of Union, S. C., want two hundred operatives at once at from $1.00 to $1.25 per day. See advertisement.

— A slight decline in the local spirits of turpentine market yesterday brought the quotations to steady at 46½@47½ cents per gallon. The receipts were 60 carks.

— An agreement was being circulated among the shoe store proprietors of the city yesterday by which they will probably close their places of business during the Summer season at 7 o'clock in the evenings.

— Mr. A. D. French of Montclair, N. J., will speak to the young men of the Christian Association to-morrow morning. His subject will be "Strings." In the afternoon a memorial service to the late Col. Roger Moore will be held.

— The public schools at Greenville, Wrightsville and Scott's Hill, will close their Spring terms next Thursday. The Myrtle Grove school closed last Thursday. The term at Federal Point will continue until May 18th.

— Mrs. J. W. Booker and daughters have returned to the city from Newbern and are residing at No. 815 Grace street. Mrs. Booker has an announcement of interest in the business local column of the STAR this morning.

— The British brig *Venturer*, Norwegian barque *Albatros* and Swedish barque *Norden*, passed out at Southport for their respective voyages yesterday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock. The schooner *Chas. C. Lister* passed out at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

— Owing to the fact that many of the law students leave the University of North Carolina before commencement week, the time for the annual address before the law school has been brought forward to Friday evening, May 4th. George Rountree, Esq., of this city will deliver the address, which will be in Gerrard Hall.

— Mr. A. D. Zachary, representing Messrs. Zachary & Zachary, the well known Raleigh contractors, has opened a branch office in this city at No. 316 North Front street. The principal business of the branch office will be the sale of mantels, brackets, grates, etc., and a handsome display of this work may now be seen at the new store.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice—New Savings Bank.
J. H. Gault—Hands wanted.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Ice cream.
Benefit Concert—Miss Norma Foster
Str. Wilmington—Carolina Beach.
Notice—Murchison National Bank.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Remember.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Mrs. J. W. Booker—Dressmaker.
T. D. Love—We sell your produce.

Cotton and Naval Stores.

The following comparative statement of the receipts of cotton and naval stores at the port of Wilmington for the periods named, was yesterday posted at the Produce Exchange:

Week ended April 27th, 1900—Cotton, 204 bales; spirits, 136 casks; rosin, 2,832 barrels; tar, 1,017 barrels; crude, 214 barrels.

Week ended April 27, 1899—Cotton, 14 bales; spirits, 211 casks; rosin, 1,094 barrels; tar, 1,047 barrels; crude, 101 barrels.

Crop year to April 27, 1900—Cotton 274,282 bales; spirits, 349 casks; rosin, 6,784 barrels; tar, 5,088 barrels; crude, 430 barrels.

Crop year to April 27, 1899—Cotton, 288,954 bales; spirits, 570 casks; rosin, 11,295 barrels; tar, 4,570 barrels; crude, 297 barrels.

Committed for Larceny.

Paris Frazier, colored, was committed to jail by Deputy Sheriff H. W. Howell yesterday morning in default of $100 bond for his appearance at the Criminal Court to answer the charge of the larceny of a sack of flour from the store of F. G. Punke, corner Second and Market streets. The officer found the negro hiding in a flower pit on the premises of Mr. E. P. Bailey, on Ann near Fourth street. He was committed by Dr. W. W. Harriss, justice of the peace.

Church Entertainment.

Last evening in the assembly room of Immanuel Presbyterian Church the ladies of the congregation gave a splendid entertainment for the benefit of the sewing circle of the Sunday School. The programme consisted of charades, pantomime, statuary, music, recitations and other interesting features. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. D. C. Whitted, Miss Anna Savage, Miss Annie Ramsey and Miss Kate Hall.

Sunday Afternoon Trip.

Capt. J. W. Harper announces officially the first of the Sunday afternoon trips to Carolina Beach on the steamer *Wilmington* for to-morrow, leaving the Market street wharf on the steamer at 2 o'clock and returning at 7 P. M. He also announces that the twenty-five cents round trip fare will be in vogue for the first time and it is quite likely a very large crowd will embrace this opportunity of visiting the seaside on the inaugural trip.

Do you want 2,000 or 3,000 old newspapers at your own price? If so, call at the STAR office. They make a cheap wrapping paper. †

ODD FELLOWSHIP.

Eighty-first Anniversary of Its Establishment in America Celebrated Last Night.

QUITE LARGE ATTENDANCE.

Exercises in Commemoration of Event Fully Up to the Standard of Former Years—Elaborate Programme of Music, Etc.

The Eighty-first anniversary of the establishment of Odd Fellowship in America was fittingly celebrated last night in the hall of Hanover Lodge No. 145 by the five hundred members of the order composing the six Wilmington branches. On account of the size of the hall the attendance was confined almost exclusively to Odd Fellows but the celebration lacked none of the old time enthusiasm characteristic of the brotherhood, and the programme, while not including an address by any specific speaker, was fully up to the standard of excellence of those observed in honor of the event in former years.

The hall was tastefully decorated and the ceremonies were especially commemorative and pleasing. The music by the quartette was of an exceptionally high order and the addresses by the Past Grands were very interesting and instructive to those assembled.

The exercises proper were presided over by the following officers:

Past Grand—R. J. Jones.
Noble Grand—J. E. Silva.
R. S. to N. G.—G. W. Branch.
L. S. to N. G.—McL. Bell.
Vice Grand—E. N. Penny.
R. S. to V. G.—B. W. Durham.
L. S. to V. G.—W. C. Smith.
Secretary—J. R. Turrentine, Jr.
Treasurer—W. H. Howell.
Warden—J. B. Fales.
Conductor—B. F. King.
O. G.—R. H. Northrop.
I. G.—J. A. Orrell.
R. S. S.—Jas. W. Riley.
L. S. S.—W. H. Hodges.
Chaplain—Rev. J. N. Cole.

The joint committee in charge of the celebration consisted of Messrs. W. H. Yopp, chairman; J. R. Turrentine, Jr., secretary; Marcus W. Jacobi, Walker Taylor, W. H. Hodges, J. S. Barnes, B. R. Penny, J. J. Hopkins, J. D. Barber, W. H. Howell, E. F. Johnson and C. F. Williams.

The programme observed was as follows:

Reading of Proclamation, by Mr. Jno. R. Turrentine, Jr.
Opening Ode.
Prayer, by Rev. J. N. Cole.
Anniversary Ceremony.
"The Bloom is on the Rye," (Bishop), by Cecelia Quartette, composed of Miss Carrie S. White, 1st soprano; Mrs. E. G. Woody, 2nd soprano; Mrs. James D. Smith, 1st alto; Mrs. F. A. Muse, 2nd alto; Miss Cannie Chasten, accompanist.
Addresses by Past Grand Marcus W. Jacobi, Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2; Past Grand H. O. Craig, Orion Lodge, No. 67, and Past Grand B. J. Jacobs, Wilmington Lodge, No. 139.
"Rock-a-Bye," (Neidlinger), by the Cecelia Quartette.
Addresses by Past Grand E. F. Johnson, Hanover Lodge, No. 145; Past Grand L. L. Boon, Campbell Encampment, No. 1, and Past Grand W. L. Smith, Letitia Lodge, No. 3, Daughters of Rebekah.
"There's One that I Love Dearly," (Hawley), by the Cecelia Quartette.
Prayer by Rev. J. N. Cole.
Closing Ode.
Benediction by Rev. J. N. Cole.

Miss Mamie L. Alderman, who has always manifested a great interest in the Odd Fellow's Orphanage, was one of the guests of honor, as were also two of the orphans who are now residing in the city.

After the ceremonial exercises a delightful spread of refreshments was served and the committee of arrangements was ably assisted in the pleasure of entertaining the members by Letitia Lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, the ladies branch of the order, which attended the celebration in a body.

Base Ball Matters.

The W. L. I. and Naval Reserves base ball teams are practicing daily for the series of games which will be played for the championship later. Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons have been assigned to the Infantry team for practice at Hilton, and on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons the diamond will be occupied with practice games by the Naval Reserves nine.

It is learned that the the O. A. N. society will also put out a team this season and challenge all other local teams.

The Wilmington Athletic Association will also be in the field soon with a team which it is proposed to make champion of the State.

The Crumpler Meetings.

Rev. A. B. Crumpler, the noted holiness evangelist, arrived in the city yesterday morning and will spend his time in the city at the home of Mr. J. J. Matthews, No. 816 North Fifth street. As stated in yesterday's STAR he will begin a series of meetings in his tent on Front between Church and Castle streets probably as early as to-night. Mr. Crumpler says that he will be here at least a month, preaching twice a day. He is a representative of the Protestant Holiness Church, which was organized in North Carolina about six months ago. He has a church in Goldsboro with a seating capacity of 1,000 and quite a large membership.

QUEER RELIGION OF NEGRO FANATIC.

His Teachings Came Near Ending the Lives of Several of His Followers by Starvation.

"Peace, God of the Universe or King of the Creoles," as he chooses to dub himself, was arrested yesterday at noon by Lieutenant of Police F. T. Skipper and placed in the station house for a hearing before Mayor Waddell this morning on the charge of being a common nuisance. The offender is a half-breed Indian and negro and is also known as "Percy, of Dominica," and has made himself notorious in Wilmington for the queer and reprehensible religious belief to which he has converted a number of the least educated negroes in the northeastern section of the city. His misconduct and utter disregard for the law, which he justifies by his religious belief has twice brought him before the courts on previous occasions and in this instance it is probable he will be sent to jail for trial at the coming term of Criminal Court.

The warrant upon which "Peace" was arrested was sworn out by G. W. Murray, a respectable colored man of the neighborhood in which the offender operated, and it charges that he "did commit a public nuisance by pretending to have supernatural powers and by inducing divers women and others to starve themselves for many days successively and in the presence and hearing of divers persons then and there assembled, preventing these women from taking any nourishment and by attracting great crowds of people to the great annoyance and inconvenience of the public."

Chief Parmele, Lieutenant Skipper and Constable Sheehan, in investigating the merits of the allegations made by Murray, went over to a house occupied by "Peace" on Eighth between Harnett and Swann streets and were surprised to find gruesome evidences of "Peace's" operations. On the floor of the room occupied by the half breed, who; is of a ginger cake hue and who wears his hair long, they found a negro woman terribly emaciated and almost starved to death. It was learned from another woman in the house, who had not been indulging in the "holy fast" prescribed by "Peace," that the woman on the floor had not partaken of nourishment in 54 days. In each of two beds in the room were two other women who had deprived themselves of food for 34 and 19 days respectively. They, too, were in an emaciated condition and hardly able to stir. After satisfying themselves that the women had received nourishment, the officers took "Peace" and landed him in the station house, as stated.

The prisoner was asked by a reporter as to his church in Wilmington and it was learned that he has twenty four disciples. The women, he said, became possessed of the spirit and "fasted" of their own accord. Several others of his flock, he continued, were to "go on a fast" to day and there were a number of them at the station house when he was locked up. "Peace" confessed to having been made to leave the West Indies on a sailing vessel on account of his religious belief. He said that he had been in Wilmington "on and off" for three years, and that at the end of five years, which is in the coming month, his ministry would cease.

The better class of negroes are much incensed over his conduct and wish him to be made to leave the city.

PUBLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN

Were Treated to Most Delightful Afternoon Excursion Yesterday by Capt. and Mrs. John W. Harper.

Capt. J. W. Harper, the popular master of the steamer *Wilmington*, and Mrs. Harper gave a complimentary excursion party yesterday afternoon to the teachers and students of the Wilmington public schools, and to say that the event gave unbounded delight to more than five hundred children, including their preceptors, would be mildly expressing a fact which was plainly evidenced yesterday when the handsome passenger steamer passed up the river with the little ones fairly screaming upon every deck and wildly cheering to many people who gathered on the wharves to witness the pleasing spectacle.

The start was made from Market street dock at 5 o'clock, and the trip was a run up the Cape Fear river towards Fayetteville to its junction with Black river, a distance of about fifteen miles.

The party returned at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, after a most delightful outing, and Capt. and Mrs. Harper, who were only too glad of an opportunity to make so many hearts glad, were the recipients of untold expressions of appreciation from all on board.

Hail At Castle Haynes.

A telephone message to the STAR yesterday afternoon from Castle Haynes stated that there was a good fall of hail there at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The hail stones were small and as trucking is not very largely engaged in about that station, the damage was of little extent.

It was also learned from Rocky Point yesterday afternoon that the hail did not reach that point or any section of the strawberry belt in that vicinity. Shipments of 225 crates of strawberries were made from Rocky Point yesterday and the weather is said to be most excellent for gathering. The season augurs bright prospects for the grower.

Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION.

Woman's Auxiliary of the Association Delightfully Entertained the Junior Members Yesterday Afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. parlors the Woman's Auxiliary of the Association gave a delightful reception to the junior members of the organization which was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed. The event was quite informal and it was the pleasure of the ladies in charge to have with the boys on the occasion, Mr. A. D. French, of Montclair, New Jersey, an old association worker, who is in the city for a short while superintending the loading of one of the vessels in port with lumber. Mr. French provided many entertaining specialties for those present and contributed much to the success of the reception. Mr. E. R. Roby also entertained them with a number of phonograph selections, and games were provided and superintended by Mr. George E. DeLano.

In the reception room of the building a course of refreshments was served by the auxiliary. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. A. J. Howell, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Howell, Miss Blanche Fentress, Miss Sybil Hancock and Miss ClaraBell VanDyke.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. E. T. Pullen, of Burgaw, was here yesterday.

— Mr. D. J. Justice, of Florence, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. S. N. Kinsey, of Jacksonville, was here yesterday.

— Col. W. J. Woodward returned from Durham yesterday morning.

— Mr. James C. Davis, of Beaufor, N. C., is registered at The Orton.

— The STAR regrets to learn that Capt. James H. Taylor is still quite sick.

— Mr. J. W. Chandler, of Wilmington, Del., is a guest of The Orton.

— Messrs. Sanborn Moore and J. Hildreth, of New York, are guests of The Orton.

— Mr. James L. Yopp, of Macon, Ga., is spending a few days in the city, the guest of relatives.

— Col. W. A. Johnson returned yesterday morning from Durham where he attended the Grand Lodge of Pythians. He was accompanied by Miss Mary Lane Kerr who is visiting the family of Col. Johnson.

FELL FROM SECOND STORY WINDOW.

Walker Taylor, Jr., Had a Fearful Fall Early Yesterday Morning.

The little three and a half year old son of Col. and Mrs. Walker Taylor was the victim of a very serious accident yesterday morning about 7 o'clock and that the consequences were not more serious is a miracle.

Before the arrival of the nurse and just after arising in the morning, little Walker, Jr., who with his sister was sleeping in a room on the second floor, climbed to the window and in some way lost his balance, precipitating himself headlong to the floor of the piazza below, a distance of about eighteen feet. The nurse, who was just coming in at the front gate, saw him fall and hastily picked him up and carried him in the house, where Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy examined the wounds, finding a severe gash in the back of his head and other minor injuries, which are thought not to be serious, though quite painful. It is not yet known whether the little fellow suffered internal injuries, but he was remarkably bright and cheerful during the day and it is hoped that he will have recovered entirely within a few days.

REV. H. W. SMITH'S WITHDRAWAL.

Was Not as Protest Against Westminster Confession—Preparing Statement.

Rev. Hay Watson Smith has written to the editor of the Charlotte *Observer* the following letter which will be read with interest by his numerous friends in Wilmington:

"To the Editor: It gives me very little concern, Mr. Editor, that I should be considered unorthodox. The charge of heresy is, in my opinion, a mere bogy; and yet the fear inspired by it has been a fruitful cause of cowardice and equivocation with priests and ministers of every branch of the church.

"I do wish to say, however, that my withdrawal from the ministry of the Southern Presbyterian Church, the church in which I was brought up, to which I owe so much, and which I love above all others, is not "a protest against the Confession of Faith."

"I am preparing, as rapidly as circumstances will permit, an article in which I shall make perfectly plain the primary ground of my withdrawal. In the meantime I trust that your readers will not class me with certain solodists and rhetoricians who are now fulminating in so lurid a manner, and with so little sense of propriety against the Westminster Confession.

HAY WATSON SMITH,
Little Rock, Ark., April 23rd, 1900.

Reward of Service.

Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt, Mr. L. Hansen and Mr. Andrew Smith, constituting a committee of the congregation of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Thursday evening called upon their aged sexton, Mr. John Baker, and presented him with a purse of $25 in token of their appreciation of his faithful and efficient service in the capacity of sexton for the past twenty-five years. The presentation was made on the night of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his official career.

WHITE SUPREMACY.

Great Gathering of New Hanover Democrats Next Wednesday and Thursday.

CHIEF MARSHAL SELECTED.

Capt. W. P. Oldham Will Have Charge of Procession and Mr. Geo. Harriss Will Assist Him--An Important Meeting of Committees.

Preparations go on apace for Wilmington's Big Democratic Rally and Ratification Meeting next Monday. The committees have gone to work with a vim and one of the greatest ovations ever given by Wilmington people will mark the coming of the Democratic standard bearers next week.

It has now been definitely decided that there will be a torchlight procession and 500 torches of flaming hue have already been ordered. Then there will be a military display and a horse back procession in which everybody will be invited to participate. The arrival of the candidates on the morning train from Goldsboro will be heralded with booming of cannon and inspiring strains of music from Wilmington's two bands. "White Supremacy" will be the watch-word and under this banner it is expected that every white man in Wilmington will enlist.

Capt. W. P. Oldham has been chosen Chief Marshal of the occasion and Mr. George Harriss, Assistant Chief. They will meet to-night and appoint thirty or more aides and all will be mounted. There will also be a meeting of all committees in charge at eight o'clock at the Court House this evening and every member is urged to be in attendance.

The meeting is being thoroughly advertised in all the territory contiguous to Wilmington and citizens of adjoining counties are invited to avail themselves of the low rates on the railroads upon this occasion and join with Wilmington in giving to the candidates the greatest reception of the entire campaign.

An effort will be made to charter a boat upon which to take the candidates for a short trip in the afternoon about the harbor, so as to refresh them for the speaking in the evening. The procession will begin to move about 7 o'clock in the evening so as not to delay the speeches later than is absolutely necessary for the demonstration.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Representative Atwater Working for Better Mail Facilities in His District.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 27.—Representative Atwater was at the Postoffice Department to day and recommended the establishment of rural free delivery in Wake county. He was informed that an inspector would be sent at once to investigate the matter and report on the merits of the case. He hopes to secure rural free delivery for other counties in his district.

Mrs. Atwater, who has been visiting her sick sister in Charlotte, will return to-morrow.

Postmasters appointed in North Carolina to-day are: M. L. Caple, Caples Mill, Richmond county, and Haywood Hayes, Glenmore, Johnston county.

BASE BALL AT ATLANTA.

University of North Carolina Defeated the University of Georgia.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

ATLANTA, GA., April 27.—The University of North Carolina defeated the University of Georgia here this afternoon in a one-sided game of ball. Score, nine to four. Rain and wet ball in seventh inning alone saved Georgia from a shut-out. The final game will be played to-morrow. North Carolina will pitch Lawson, the South's star pitcher.

Cutter Officers Will Entertain.

Capt. Willey and the ward room officers on the United States Revenue Cutter *Algonquin* will entertain a number of friends on board their handsome vessel this evening, April 28th, from eight to ten o'clock. Invitations were issued yesterday.

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at he evening service.

Rev. L. W. Curtis will fill his regular Sunday appointments at Greenville Sound at 11 A. M., East Wilmington at 3 00 P. M. and Delgado Mill at 7.30 P. M.

Immanuel Church: Services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. by Rev. Edward K. Lane. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. G. Vardell will conduct the services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. E. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. conducted by Rev. W. E. Cave, D. D., of Paducah, Ky. Sunday School, 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Second Advent Baptist Church, between Castle and Church streets. Preaching by the pastor Elder H. Fisher, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Friday nights at 8. Strangers and visitors cordially invited. Seats free.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church. Rev. John H. Hall, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School, J. H. Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

NEW YORK TRUCK PRICES.

Berries in Good Demand at 35 to 40 Cents Per Quart.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEW YORK, April 27.—Lettuce continues to drag on this market for the reasons as stated in yesterday's telegram. The sales to day were for the most part at prices ranging from $2.50 to $4 per barrel. The asparagus market is firm at from $3 to $4 per dozen bunches. Cabbage are bringing from $4 to $4.50. Berries are good sale at from thirty-five to forty cents and the market is active.

J. & G. LIPPMAN,
Wholesale Produce Commission Merchants, 184 Reade street.

WASHINGTON TRUCK MARKET.

Quotations Wired Last Night by Ernest M. Merrick, Commission Merchant.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 27.—Prime asparagus on this market in large bunches is firm at from $3 to $3.50 per dozen. Second grades are bringing from $1.50 to $2.25. The berry market is active and fair to fancy qualities are bringing eighteen to thirty cents per quart. The cabbage market is lower and quotations are from $2.50 to $3.25.

ERNEST M. MERRICK,
Wholesale Fruits and Produce Merchants, Nos. 937 939 B street, Northwest.

New Savings Bank.

The Guardian Security, Trust and Deposit Company will this morning open business in its handsome new quarters on North Front street. Reference was made yesterday to the business hours that will be in vogue and the prospects are for a big day's business in honor of the opening. Deposits will be received and interest at four per cent. allowed upon usual savings bank terms.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Benefit Concert, Given By Miss Norma Foster.

Y. M. C. A. MONDAY, APRIL 30, 1900.
ADMISSION, 25 CENTS. apr 28 2t

Carolina Beach.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 28.

For White Supremacy.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

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THOMAS F. TOON, of Robeson.

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SAMUEL L. PATTERSON, of Caldwell.

For Judge of the Tenth District:
W. B. COUNCILL, of Watauga.

AN OBJECT LESSON IN FIGURES.

The Southern cotton growers have raised $10,000,000,000 worth of cotton since the war and they have very little to show for it. After receiving such a large amount of money as this they should have a good deal to show for it. They do not like to work for nothing any more than other people, but some how or other they have been so long working for nothing, that is nothing for themselves, although they have been doing very much for others, giving employment to many thousands, and enriching many who have been engaged in the handling or manufacturing the cotton they grow, they seem to have become accustomed to it. There is a fascination about some callings which seems to hold men after they go into them and there must be something like this in growing cotton, otherwise there would be fewer men engaged in it and these would plant less cotton than they have been doing and are doing now.

It is a great business and judiciously conducted could be made to pay as well if not better than any of the staple crops of the world, for it is something the world needs and must have and the area of its possible production is limited compared with some other crops for which the world has need. There is a cotton belt that runs around the earth and the very best of it is right here in the Southern States, where we can beat the world raising cotton, can raise more of it to the acre, and on the average better cotton than can be grown anywhere else. And in addition to this the average intelligence of the Southern cotton growers ranks above that of the cotton growers of other countries. These facts will give the South advantages in the cultivation of cotton that no other cotton-growing section can wrest from it.

If the same tact had been shown by the planters of the South in regulating their acreage as has been shown in producing the cotton and improving in its culture, the cotton crop would have been a profitable one, and the South would be and continue to be the controller of the world's cotton market. She has little to fear of losing her position as the world's cotton grower. The only question is as to the course she should pursue to make the crop a profitable one. As bearing upon this we clip the following from the Charleston *News and Courier*:

"The St. Louis *Manufacturer* has collected some interesting facts with regard to some of the cotton crops of the South during the past third of a century and the market value of each.

"The crop of 1866 was 2,097,254 bales. The selling price was 31½ cents a pound. Based on sales in New York, classing all as 'middling,' the crop brought $193,322,944. The crop of 1870 was 4,352,317 bales. The selling price was 16.95 cents a pound. Estimated on the same basis of sales in New York the market value of the crop was $326,032,066. The crop of 1880 was 6,605,750 bales. The price per pound was 11.34 cents. The crop value was $344,555,920. The crop of 1890 was 8,652,597 bales. The price was 9.03 cents, The crop value was $369,118,787.

"The crop of 1898 was 11,199,994 bales, an increase of 2,547,397 bales, as compared with 1890. The price was 4.5 cents a pound. The crop value was $246,399,846, a decrease, compared with 1890, of $100,003,300. That is, the farmers of the South produced over 2,500,000 bales more in 1898 than in 1890, and got $100,000,000 less money for the larger crop than for the smaller one. In the same way the increase of crop in 1898, compared with 1880, was 4,594,244 bales, while the returns decreased $98,156,050. The increase of crop in 1898, compared with 1870, was 6,847,687 bales, while the decrease in value was $79,632,198. Compared with the crop of 1866, finally, the crop of 1898 showed an increase over 500 per cent. The increase in value was less than 30 per cent.

"In these figures and facts the intelligent farmer can find all the suggestion he needs for his guidance in pitching his crops year after year, but the *Manufacturer* points the lesson it presents with the simple statement that "those who have grown cotton for sale and bought all supplies from that source of revenue have not prospered, while those who have grown cotton as a cash crop, who have grown diversified crops for home supply and local sales, who have fed surplus products to their own stock for use and food have prospered."

We have called this "an object lesson in figures," and it is; an object lesson that every cotton planter should comprehend at a glance. It is not the first time they have had such object lessons presented to them, for year after year ever since the decline in the price of cotton began they have had facts and figures given, showing the relation between production and prices, and that a small crop means high prices and a large crop correspondingly low prices. This is invariably the history of the cotton market. If the world's crop is within the world's demand, high prices will be the result; if it exceeds the world's demand, low prices. The mills of the world at present require for consumption about 14,000,000 bales, about 4,000,000 of which are produced in other countries than this. To keep within the world's demand for consumption this means a limit of 10,000,000 bales in the crop of the South. Every bale produced in excess of that will have a tendency to reduce prices and the more bales in excess the worse it will be. With a 10,000,000 bale crop the Southern planter might confidently count on a price that would pay him for his labor, with something less than 10,000,000 he might count on good profits unless the good prices stimulated production in other countries until the increased production there would more than balance the decrease in production here. Of course as the world's population increases and as it progresses, and the poorly clad and the naked will need better covering and more of it, the world's production may be increased and the South's production in proportion, but for the present and for some time to come the South's crop should not exceed, at the outside limit, 10,000,000 bales; better under than over that figure.

Planted with discretion as to acreage the cotton crop as a money bringer may always be counted on, but the only way to make it a money bringer is to keep the production down to a figure that will force the manufacturer to come to the planter instead of the planter going to the manufacturer, and that will make the planter instead of the manufacturer the price-maker, just as the manufacturer is the price-maker for the products of his looms. Business is business on the farm as well as in the factory, and when cotton growing is conducted on business principles as cotton weaving is it can be made a paying industry which may be relied upon with some certainty.

OUR CANDIDATES IN THE WEST.

The candidates on our State ticket are receiving a royal welcome in the Western towns they visit, in every one of which they are greeted by large crowds of earnest and enthusiastic people. Such large meetings are significant of popular feeling in that section, where the opposition hopes to make its strongest fight, and also indicative of the result on election day. Last Thursday they were at Shelby, Cleveland county, where we let the correspondent of the Raleigh *News and Observer* tell how they were greeted. He says:

"It was a scene worth travelling many miles to see. The great auditorium here seating over 3,000 people was almost filled with enthusiastic applauding humanity. On the rostrum sat the speakers, and behind them a choir of 150 men and women. Just above them stretching the entire width of the building was a huge white banner on which was painted in letters of enormous size 'White Supremacy.'

"Bouquets of flowers adorned the scene, and just as the speaking was about to begin the choir sang 'The Old North State,' the audience standing and joining in the chorus. With such fervor and power they sang it that the words seemed to ring through the rafters and come echoing back from the neighboring hills.

"Though all the candidates present were introduced to the audience and made short speeches, the principal speakers for the day were Robert D. Gilmer and Mr. Charles B. Aycock. Both were magnificent efforts—strong and powerful arguments that won the audience and carried conviction to their minds.

Mr. Aycock was briefly but appropriately introduced by Mr. M. H. Justice. The gist of his speech, mainly devoted to the discussion of the amendment, is thus given by the correspondent;

"Then Mr. Aycock settled himself down to the task of discussing the amendment in that charming, easy manner that makes his speeches so entertaining and at the same time so effective. Beferring to the charge of the Republicans that the Democratic party was seeking by the amendment to disfranchise the poor white man, he said:

"'Not only has the Democratic party never disfranchised a white man, but it never will. [Applause.] The only party ever to do this was the Republican party, and where it did so it enfranchised the negro.' [Great applause.]

"In the course of his discussion of the vicious rule of the Republican party in the State he said: "I do not believe the Fusionists intended to give us bad government; they simply couldn't help it. I assert that such a condition with them is inevitable because the party has not behind it virtue and intelligence, but it has the evil influence of 120,000 negro voters.

"I lay down this proposition. I beg you to take it home with you, think about it, examine it and find it false if you can. If it is the truth build on it; by it I am willing to stand or fall. It is this: No government can be better or wiser than the average of the virtue or intelligence of the party that governs.'

"When the speaker told of the negro outrages in the East and recounted the bloody details of the Wilmington riot men leaned forward wild-eyed and open-mouthed in their earnestness and women turned pale with horror. Then he added: 'To such an extent had these things gone that the citizens of that town had bought and openly owned for their protection a rapid fire cannon.'

"One could detect as these words were spoken a thrill pass over the audience. He proceeded: 'Then one day there came clicking over the wires to my town the message from Wilmington: 'For God sake send 200 men; we have a race riot.' In less than half an hour there were five hundred men at the depot with guns on their shoulders waiting for the train, and I was one of them.'

"A furious burst of applause greeted this announcement. 'You would have been there, too. [Applause.] I don't care what your politics is, blood is thicker than water. [Loud applause.] The East and the West is one, the white man is a white man the world over, and he will rule.'

"It was a great speech—the greater perhaps for the reason that Mr. Gilmer before him had paved the way for it by reviewing in most eloquent and splendid manner the political conditions which made it necessary for the white men of the State to propose the amendment and rally to the support of good government and White Supremacy."

As showing the feeling of the white people of the West and the impression made in this fight for white supremacy, we quote the following from the conclusion of the correspondent's letter:

"The Democratic campaign gathers force and momentum as it preceeds. Daily the crowds are becoming larger and the enthusiasm more intense. At Waynesville Tuesday the crowd was numbered by thousands; at Marion on Wendesday there was the largest assemblage of people ever known at a political speaking in that county since Vance spoke here, I am told, and at Shelby to-day there was not a man under 2,500 in the auditorium when Mr. Aycock ended his splendid speech.

"On the way here last night from Marion crowds met Mr. Aycock's train at Union Mills, Rutherfordton and Forest City. At all these places the train stopped long enough for him to shake hands with many of those present. At Union Mills and Forest City he made short speeches. The candidates leave here Friday morning for Charlotte, where they speak Saturday.

"From the first speaking at Burlington last Monday to that at Murphy Saturday, at Bryson City Monday, Waynesville Tuesday, Marion yesterday and Shelby to-day, there has ever stood forth one overpowering truth: This is the white man's country and he will rule it. No man in any meeting has denied it; none in any place has hesitated to declare this fact. On every lip, when the speaking was over, it has had exultant concession or assertion. The sentiment of every gathering has flowed strong, deep, rippleness for White Rule.

"All of these meetings have been well attended. Better at many places than was expected. But it was the character of these assemblages rather than their numbers which have had most of emphasis and left its deepest impression. No one—friend or foeman—could attend them and go forth unconvicted of their serious sort. The power of argument and eloquence brought to bear upon the folk there met must bear abundant fruit. They are no parties of the May-Day kind, marked by lightness of motive. They have all meant business—these meetings. Men have come with inquiring minds and gone away with determined hearts.

"As a result of the week's work many a new recruit will in the next State election be found on the party's firing line.

"This is no idle assertion or boast colored by partisanship. I write it because I believe it to be the truth."

HANNA SACRIFICED QUAY.

The public at large outside of Pennsylvania, is not interested in Senator Quay, or in whether he has a seat in the United States Senate or not, but as shutting the doors against him may have some political consequences it is interesting to know why he was turned down and who did it. The following which we clip from the Washington *Post* throws some light on the question and the motives that actuated the gentleman who manipulates the wires in the vicinity of the President:

"It was stated in the *Post* yesterday morning that Senator Hanna had gone to Ohio without stating whether he was for or against Quay. Telegrams were sent to him by Quay's friends, appealing to him to be paired in Quay's behalf. The answer, which came by wire yesterday morning, crushed their hopes and caused a sensation in the Senate. It was inexplicable. No one for a moment credited Mr. Hanna with being influenced by constitutional opinions, and, if he had been, he would have voted for Quay, as he had voted for Corbett, when the latter also sought admission to the Senate upon the certificate of a Governor. Naturally, therefore, the Republicans in the Senate looked deeper for a reason. No one was authorized to speak for Mr. Hanna, but the general concensus of opinion was that he was undoubtedly acting for the administration, which has been against Quay, under the influence of Postmaster General Smith, who is identified with the anti-Quay faction in Pennsylvania, and whose influential paper has been one of Mr. Quay's bitterest opponents.

"This explanation was not, however, entirely satisfactory. It led to further inquiry. All manner of rumors were discovered to be afloat, not the least sensational of which was that the administration expected to secure a larger amount of money through Mr. Wanamaker's efforts in the next campaign than could be possibly secured through Mr. Quay. Discounting all these rumors, however, conservative Senators advanced the opinion that Mr. Hanna undoubtedly sacrificed Mr. Quay because he believed it was good politics to do so, on the ground that a public stand against Mr. Quay's methods in Pennsylvania would create a favorable impression in the popular mind. In the lack of other explanations, this would seem to be the most plausible. The closest inquiry failed to show any personal animosity between Hanna and Quay."

There is no "personal animosity between Hanna and Quay," but a dispatch from Columbus, Ohio, stated that when it was learned that Quay had been sat down upon Hanna and Grosvenor, both McKinley's close friends, shook hands and congratulated each other, and Hanna laughed "gleefully." Possibly Quay may be willing to submit to this assault of the administration through Postmaster General Smith, Hanna and Grosvenor, but if so we are very much mistaken in the man, who would thus lose his reputation as a man not to be trod upon with impunity.

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BOOK NOTICES.

The April number of *The Smart Set* presents with other matter several readable stories, beginning with "A Maiden Diplomat," which is interestingly written. The reader of travels will enjoy a "Summer Journey in Russia." Published by the Essess Publishing Company, New York.

"About My Father's Business" is the title of an interesting story by Austin Miles, the object of which is to draw attention to some of the mistakes that ministers and their congregations make in doing their "Father's business," doing it in the wrong way, and to show the necessity of guarding against abuses to promote the cause of true religion. It is a well printed, neatly bound volume. Published by The Mershon Company, New York.

The Atlantic Monthly for May presents a large, varied and interesting list of contents, leading off with a very forcible paper by H. D. Sedgewick, Jr., entitled "Nations and the Decalogue," in which he discourses on some of the reasons advanced to justify the land grabbing in which nations which can grab are now doing such an active business. Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 11 East Seventeenth street, New York.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: Mr. W. A. Dunn was called to Edgecombe to Bisco Pittman's store Saturday to appear for a colored boy who had killed another colored boy some time about the first of the month. It seems that several colored boys were fooling with a gun, and thought it was not loaded. To prove it one boy proposed to "snap" it. He did so, and by accident another boy passed in front just as it "snapped." The gun proved to be loaded and the usual result followed—a dead boy.

A Night Of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Monroe *Journal*: The wheat crop is reported to be unusually good.

— Southport *Standard*: Mr. J. C. Henry, of Malmo, an aged citizen, perhaps nearly eighty years of age, had the misfortune last week of falling forward into the fire place in which a fire was burning at his home, that resulted in a very bad burn, which may prove fatal. For years Mr. Henry has preferred living alone, and at the time of the accident no one was with him, and it is not known exactly how it happened.

— Kinston *Free Press:* Some of our farmers have begun planting tobacco. It is to early yet to tell exactly whether or not the acreage put to tobacco culture adjacent to the Kinston market will be materially decreased. Some estimate that it will not be decreased at all, while others assert that as much as 25 per cent. less than last season will be planted. Probably the most conservative estimate is between 10 and 15 per cent. decrease.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: Senator Pritchard spoke on the amendment question in Rockingham last Tuesday. He is "fernist" the amendment. The crowd which cheered Pritchard was made up of revenue officers, Federal papsuckers and negroes. Democrats in Rockingham say that Pritchard did the Democratic party no harm. —— And still guano continues to go from the warehouses to the fields. The local sales during the past week have been very heavy. —— Mr. Banks McCain, of Jackson township, captured a crow on her nest a few days ago. The crow had just hatched a brood and rather than leave her young remained with them while her captor was climbing the tree in which she had built her nest.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mrs. Dora Baker, who came here three weeks ago from Harnett county, lies at Rex Hospital with a bullet hole through her neck and throat. Whether Mrs. Baker inflicted the wound, or whether the deed was done by her husband, A. D. Baker the only person in the house at the time, is a question that is puzzling the officers. Mrs. Baker says she shot herself. The husband tells the same story and is apparently unconcerned, though a prisoner in Wake county jail. The conduct of Mr. Baker, immediately after the shooting took place, led to his arrest. He left the house after the tragic scene, without taking the trouble to notify friends or a physician and went to the Union depot and took a seat, where he was arrested.

— Dunn *Democratic Banner:* From the amount of fertilizers sold at this place one would judge that the whole face of the earth will be planted in cotton. —— A young man by the name of Mordica Parrish, a citizen of Averasboro township, was arrested by the revenue officers Saturday and placed in the guard house charged with operating a whiskey still. We learn that he was required to give a $100 bond for his release. On being asked his politics by one of the revenue officers, replied that he was a white man, the bond was raised to $300. This is one instance that it cost a man $100 to admit that he was a white man. Mr. Parrish claims that he has been falsely arrested, says he has been sick for several weeks and is not guilty of the crime. He gave the bond and was released Sunday.

— A Compromise: Owner—"I sells yo' dat mewl fer ten dollahs, an' guarantee him not to kick yo'." Buyer—"An' ef he do, will yo' obligate yo'se'f toe taik him back at dat price?" Owner—"Ah, couldn't do dat; but Ah'll oblegate mahse'f toe gib yo'ah widdah de money back."—*Leslie's Weekly.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Once upon a time a man journeyed from a small Texas town to Niagara, claiming that he had a device to stop the falls from touching the Canadian shore. Now, we hear of men who intend to journey from the East to Kansas City to stop the nomination of Bryan. One man proved to be a fool, and now we shall wait for a verdict as to the others.—*Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union and Citizen.*

—— General Miles, in a letter to Secretary root, declares earnestly against the disappearing gun carriage, asserting that it spoils both the rapidity and accuracy of the fire The secretary and the general might pick up some valuable ideas by watching the campaign in South Africa. Disappearing carriages and also disappearing guns, with ammunition and convoys to match, are not at all uncommon in that country, especially when the Boers sweep down upon an isolated English battery.—*Chicago News, Dem.*

—— "Not in many years," it is noted, "has anything given so general pleasure in Europe as has the prospect of a clash between the United States and Turkey. Probably there is not a nation on the Continent that would not take delight in giving the 'sick man' a drubbing, but none dare undertake it owing to the jealousy prevailing among her neighbors." Unfortunately, however, the sick man has conceded all our demands. We shall have to content ourselves with drubbing the Filipinos for a while longer —*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

Cold Steel Or Death.

"There's but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvelous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, April 27.

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ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $3.15 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 41@40½c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.05; crude turpentine steady at $1.35 @2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	60
Rosin	118
Tar	168
Crude turpentine	25

Receipts same day last year.—44 casks spirits turpentine, 144 bbls rosin, 147 bbls tar, 26 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16 cts ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8 7-16 " "
Low middling	9 1-16 " "
Middling	9¼ " "
Good middling	9⅝ " "

Same day last year middling quiet at 5¾c.

Receipts—27 bales; same day last year, 1.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53¼ to 55 cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

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Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.

	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs.	110	112
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	190	205
A. C. L. new preferred W. I.	100	...
A. C. L. of S. Common	195	...
A. C. L. new Common. W. I.	27½	...
Wilmington & Weldon	144	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	144	...
N. C. R. R.	158	...
Wilmington Compress Co.	...	10
Delgado Mills	110	112
Wilmington Cotton Mills, ptd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co.	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co.	110	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co.	100	...
National Bank of Wilmington	110	118
Atlantic National Bank	200	...
Murchison National Bank	100½	...
W'l. Savings & Trust Co.	300	...
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	113
Warren Manufac'ing Co., preferred	103	105
Abbeville Cotton Mills	...	110
Southern Cotton Mills	...	101
Piedmont Manufacturing Co.	180	198
Pacolet Manufacturing Co.	230	...
F. W. Poe Manufacturing Co.	130	135
Anderson Cotton Mills	127	132
Pelzer Manufacturing Co.	180	195
Union Cotton Mills, preferred	103	106

BONDS.

U. S. 3's 1908—1918, con	109½	110
N. C. 4's	106¾	107
N. C. 6's	134	137
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1922	112	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 8's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	99	100
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 6's	119	130
A. C. L. 4's	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold	103	106¾
City of Wilmington 4's, 1939	102	105

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FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent.; last loan 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 488½ for demand and 484¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@485½ and 489@489½. Commercial bills 483¾@484¼. Silver certificates 59½@60. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds strong. State bonds strong. Railroad bonds were strong. U. S. refunding 2's 102½; U.S. 2's, reg'd, 99½; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 108¾; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133½; do. coupon, 134½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 114; do. coupon, 114; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 112; do. coupon, 113¼; N. C. 6's 127½; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 112⅝. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 85¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 31½; Manhattan L 93¼; New York Central 135⅝; Reading 19; do. 1st pref'd 59½; St. Paul 119¾; do. preferred 173; Southern Railway 13⅝; do. pref'd 58; American Tobacco, 104¾; do. pref'd 133; People's Gas 104½; Sugar 113½; do. pref'd 111; T. C. & Iron 83¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 70¾; Western Union 82⅛.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Rosin was quiet; strained common to good $1 60. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, April 27.—Spirits turpentine was steady at 46½c; sales — casks. Rosin quiet; sales — barrels.

SAVANNAH, April 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 47½c; sales 1,830 casks; receipts 2,077 casks; exports 444 casks. Rosin firm; sales 3,987 barrels; receipts 3,811 barrels; exports 435 barrels. Closing quotations were: A, B, C, D, $1 25; E, $1 30, F, $1 35; G, $1 40; H, $1 55; I, $1 65; K, $1 75; M $ 85@1 90; $2 10; W G, $2 20@25; W W $2 50.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 27.—The cotton market was not so narrow to day, working within a range of ten points after opening unchanged to five points higher. The improvement was largely due to better cables, the Liverpool market closing one to two points higher, while there was some foreign buying and for a time brisk local covering. Later, however, the market became easier, as public support was not a factor, while crop accounts were conflicting. The market was not at any time weak, but it was hard to create any bull enthusiasm, with the official announcements indicating almost perfect weather for the entire belt. During the morning Wall street sold the Summer months against purchasers of December and January. During the afternoon the room traders were in control, but just before the speculation picked up prices forged ahead rapidly on a flurry of buying for both accounts, based on rumors of bad weather in Southwestern Texas. The close was firm at a net advance of four to ten points.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9 13-16c.

Cotton futures market closed firm: April 9.47, May 9.48, June 9.43, July 9.43, August 9.28, September 8.48, October 8.24, November 8.07, December 8.07, January 8.08, February 8 09, March 8.12.

Spot cotton—Market closed firm; middling uplands 9 13 16c; middling gulf 10 1-16c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 390 bales; gross receipts 886 bales; stock 112,040 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 5,254 bales; exports to Great Britain 4,553; exports to the Continent 250 bales; stock 425,377 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 39,679 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,267 bales; exports to France 782 bales; exports to the Continent 45,845 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,160,757 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,026,282 bales; exports to France 666,373 bales; exports to the Continent 2,382,272 bales.

April 27—Galveston, quiet at 9 7 16c, net receipts 516 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9¼, net receipts 749 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts 56 bales; Boston, quiet at 9 13-16c, net receipts 278 bales; Wilmington, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 27 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 10 1-16c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, quiet at 9 7-16, net receipts 858 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9⅜c, net receipts 2,105 bales; Mobile, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts 10 bales; Memphis, steady at 9¾c, net receipts 171 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 12 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 236 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 27.—Flour market moderately active and steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 78⅝c. Options were generally firm all day, especially in the afternoon, stimulated by rumors of good export trade at the west, higher English cables and chinch bugs in Kansas. Local shorts were best buyers and the market closed firm at ½@⅝c net advance. May closed at 73½c; July 73⅝c; September 74¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2, 46¾c. Options market was strong and higher to-day on the unexpected advance of English cables, rains in Kansas and small country acceptances. Closed firm at ½@¾c net advance. May closed 45¾c; July 46¼c; September 46¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 28c. Options neglected and closing dull at ½c decline; No. 2 white oats—May closed 29¾c. Lard firm; Western steam $7 75; refined firm; South American $8 50; continent $8 00; compound 6¼c. Pork firm; family $14 50@15 00; short clear $14 00@15 50; mess $13 25@13 75. Butter firm; Western creamery 15½@18c; State dairy 15@17½c. Cheese steady; fancy large white 11½; fancy large colored 11@11¾c; fancy small white 10¾@11c; fancy small colored 10¾@11c. Eggs steady; Southern at mark 11@12¾c; State and Pennsylvania 12¾@13c at mark. Tallow dull Potatoes steady; New Jersey $1 25@1 50; New York $1 37½; Long Island $1 50; New Jersey sweets $2 75@3 25. Petroleum steady. Rice steady. Cabbage quiet; Texas, per barrel, $3 50@3 75. Freights to Liverpool quiet. Cotton seed oil a little more active in a small way but revealed no change in the price level, holding out about steady. Quoted: Prime crude, in barrels, 35c nominal; prime summer yellow 38c prompt; off summer yellow 38c; butter grades nominal; prime winter yellow 40@42c; prime white 40@41c; prime meal $26 00. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 7⅝c; No. 7 jobbing —c; mild—market quiet, Cordova 9¼@13¼. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 15 16c; centrifugal 96 test 4 7-16c; molasses sugar 3¼c; refined quiet.

CHICAGO, April 27.—There was a change of sentiment to the bull view to-day and the news was encouraging to that way of looking at the wheat situation. Wheat closed ½ and ⅝c higher, corn ½ and ½c to ¾ and ⅞c up, and oats unchanged to ¼ and ½c lower. Provisions closed 2½ to 10 and 12½c improved. Trade in all the pits was rather quiet with spots of activity in wheat and corn.

CHICAGO, April 27.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring —; No. 2 red 70c. Corn—No. 2 39⅝@40¼c. Oats—No. 2 24¼@24½c; No. 2 white 27½@27¾c; No. 3 white 26¼@28¼c. Pork, per barrel, not reported. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 20@7 35. Short rib sides, loose, $6 95@7 20. Dry salted shoulders, $6 75@7 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 50@7 60. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 25½.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 April —, —, —, 65⅞c; May 65½@65⅞, 66⅛, 65⅜@65⅝, 65⅞@66c; July 67¼@67⅝, 67¼@67¾, 67½@67⅝c; September 68⅜, 68½, 68@68¼, 68½c. Corn—No. 2 April —, —, —, 39⅝; May 39⅝@39¾, 40@40½, 39½@39⅝, 39⅝@39¾c; July 40⅜@40⅞, 41¼@41½, 40¼@40⅝, 49⅞c; September 41¼@41⅜, 41¾, 41¼, 41½. Oats—May 23¾, 23¼, 22¾, 23c; July 23⅛, 23⅜, 23¼, 23½; September 22½, 22⅝, 23⅛, 23⅜. Pork, per bbl—May $12 65, 12 75, 12 70, 12 72½; July $12 80, 12 92½, 12 77½, 12 87½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 20, 7 35, 7 20, 7 32½; July $7 25, 7 40, 7 25, 7 37½; September $7 25, 7 37½, 7 25, 7 35. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 95, 7 07½, 6 95, 7 07½; July $7 02½, 7 12½, 7 00, 7 12½; September $7 00, 7 07½, 7 00, 7 07½.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, April 27, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in moderate demand; prices 1-32d higher; American middling fair 5 25-32d; good middling 5 17-32d; middling 5 15-32d; low middling 5 11 32d; good ordinary 5 7-32d; ordinary 5 1 32d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,100 American. Receipts 1,000 bales, including 700 American.

Futures opened and closed steady at the advance. American middling (l. m. c.)—April 5 23 64d seller; April and May 5 18-64d buyer; May and June 5 16 64@5 17-64d seller; June and July 5 14-64d seller; July and August 5 11-64d buyer; August and September 5 1-64@5 2 64d buyer; September and October 4 44-64@4 45-64d buyer; October and November 4 33-64@4 34 64d buyer; November and December 4 28 64d value; December and January 4 26-64@4 27-64d seller; January and February 4 24-64d buyer.

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W. & W. Railroad—8 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—2 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 16 barrels rosin, 25 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—5 casks spirits turpentine, 1 barrel tar.

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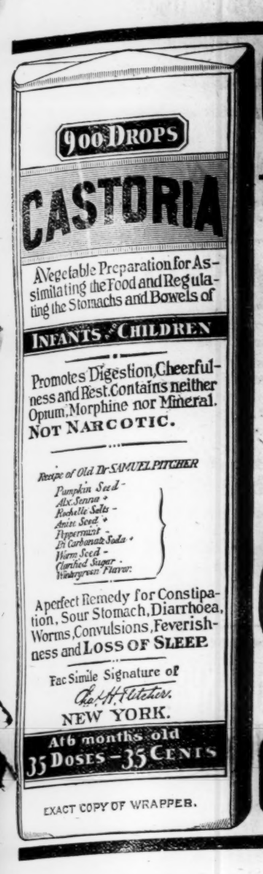

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Train 39—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:24 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:30 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 9:46 A. M., Maxton 10:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

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Train 40—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 P. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

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The Biggest Idol the Egyptians Ever Reared For Worship and Its Constant Battle With the Smothering Sands of the Desert.

Five or six thousand years ago, writes Emma J. Arnold in St. Nicholas, the little country of Egypt, whose whole territory, desert and all, is only about twice the size of the state of Illinois, was yet the greatest kingdom on the earth. That certainly was more than 5,000 years before Christopher Columbus sailed across the Atlantic ocean and discovered America. Egypt had a large population even then. Thousands, perhaps millions, of people swarmed along the banks of the river Nile and rowed their little boats in and out of the network of canals which led the waters of the "sacred river" between the cultivated fields. The religion of these people was what we call "polytheism"—that is, the worship of many gods. The Egyptians, like all pagan nations, made images of their gods and built temples where they might be worshiped. It was the business of the priests to carry on this worship, and a very profitable business they made it too.

When the Egyptians saw how beautiful and bright the sun was and how at his rising each morning the ugly, black darkness disappeared, they thought that he, too, must be a god, and so they worshiped him among the rest. Some among the Egyptians thought that the sun god died every night when he set in the west and came to life again the next morning; others believed that he spent the night hours fighting against evil spirits and horrible monsters who tried to kill him. But he always conquered them, and the next morning there he was in the east again and rose anew, as bright and beautiful as ever, to give light and warmth to the earth.

The Egyptians had many names for their sun god, among these one for the rising sun, one for the midday sun and one for the sun when he set in the west. The rising sun god was called Hor-em-akhu, which means in English "Horus-on-the-horizon." The very biggest idol they ever made was to represent this sun god. It is what we call the "great sphinx of Gizeh." No one knows who made this sphinx or when it was made, but in all likelihood it was already there in the desert more than 6,000 years ago, when the first king of Egypt whom we know anything about ruled over the country.

The Egyptian people thought they could not have any better place to bury their dead than near the image of their beautiful sun god. So, year after year, the kings and the princes and the nobles made their graves in the desert land. And it is thus, in the midst of a great cemetery, that you would find the sphinx, if you should go now to look at him.

Now, the burial ground in which the sphinx is was the cemetery of Memphis, and it stretched for 40 miles along the river Nile. In it there were over 60 pyramids, which are the big tombs built by the kings. The nobles and the princes also built very large tombs, the walls of which are covered with colored pictures, very beautiful to look at.

Egypt does not have snow and hail and rain as we do; hence its sand keeps exceedingly dry and powdery. Often there are terrific gales of wind, and then the sand is whirled along through the air in such quantities that it is worse for people to be out in than a rainstorm or a snowstorm. Each gust of wind carries along just as much sand as it can support, and, when anything obstructs the path of the wind, then and there the sand is dropped and falls again to the ground. The sphinx was covered with sand in the year 1818, when an Englishman named Caviglia undertook the task of digging him out. He had heard many interesting stories about the great sphinx. In a book written by the celebrated Roman, Pliny, it was stated that a king was buried under it.

Caviglia desired to find the tomb of this king, so he engaged a large number of laborers—men to dig and women and children to carry off the sand in baskets on their heads. They dug over a space of more than a hundred feet, carrying away the sand for days, and finally what do you think they found? Right under the chin of the monstrous idol, at the end of the long passage between its paws, they found a little temple. The back wall of this temple was one huge block of red granite, covered all over with pictures and writing.

In 1896 an American, Colonel Raum of San Francisco, made another attempt to uncover the sphinx and find the buried king. With the help of a hundred Arabs, men and boys, he dug out the rubbish from a hole about 40 feet deep, which had been cut down into the solid rock of the lion's body ages ago. The bottom of this hole was blocked up with stones. The Egyptian government would not allow him to remove them, so he was obliged to stop just at the very spot where is probably the entrance to an ancient tomb. He cleaned out the little temple and found in it a piece of the stone beard, which had broken off and been buried for centuries. And more interesting still it was to find a part of the royal crown. This stone crown was gigantic. It was 10 feet across and about 15 or 20 feet high and fitted into a hole in the head by a stem seven feet long.

When the writing upon the stone which Mr. Caviglia found was finally deciphered, it was learned from it that King Tehutimes IV had built this little temple in the first year of his reign, more than 3,000 years ago! Upon the stone he had engraved in hieroglyphics the whole story of his hunting expedition, his dream in the shadow of the chin and the command of the god. And of course he must have cleared away the sand, else he could not have set up the stone. But the sand soon drifted back again, and ever since, though it has been several times dug out, the sphinx is always being covered up by the drifting sands, and perhaps some day it will be overwhelmed and disappear altogether.

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Old Sword Blades.

Rough as the fighters of old were, the inscriptions which they put on their swords often showed not only considerable poetic instinct, but sentimentality. "Faithful in adversity" is such a sentence engraved on an old sword of the seventeenth century. In a collection of blades of the sixteenth century are these inscriptions:

"I quarrel." "God give me speed that my foe be beat indeed." "With this defense and God's will all my enemies I shall still." "In battle I will let myself be used." "When I my sword uplift in strife, God give the sinner eternal life." "Trust in God, bravely war; therein your fame and honor are." "Your aim alone be God's great name. Who dares deny strike thou him lame." "Every soldier fine look on this sign and use his hand for God and the land." On blades from the eighteenth century are these inscriptions: "Nothing better in the world thou hast than to hold love and friendship fast." "I serve." "A good blade I. Who would deny let him meet me, and I will hold it will cost him or blood or gold."

His Awful Sorrow.

A man was seen leaving his model dwelling while from the window above his wife poured after him ceaseless volleys of what is politely known as "langwidge." But in the enthusiasm of her eloquence she leaned out too far and fell on to the pavement.

A horrified spectator hurried after the husband with the news. As he was breaking it the man, with face full of suppressed feeling, murmured: "Don't make me laugh. I've got a cracked lip."—London Chronicle.

LEATHER SUBSTITUTES.

They Are Said to Have Advantages Over the Real Article.

The growing popularity of the leather substitutes that are now being put forward on the market is receiving more serious attention from the leather trade than when the first substitute was introduced about 15 years ago, says the New York Commercial. These substitutes are nearly all known under copyrighted names and are composed of a jelly the ingredients of which are secret. This jelly is applied to linen duck cloth of various widths, which when dry is stamped and embossed in innumerable designs and colors.

These leather substitutes are all claimed to be waterproof and nearly fireproof, as they will stand a heat registering up to 550 degrees F. It is these qualities that make them particularly useful and appreciated more than leather, which is being superseded in many lines by the various substitutes.

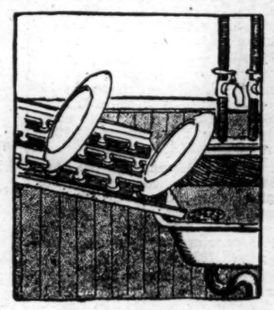
The furniture trade was among the first to recognize the usefulness of the substitutes, great quantities of which are used in upholstering furniture, particularly sofas. The fact that they are stainless and when scratched leave no mark like leather is considered an advantage. The substitutes are also used in place of wall paper, the designs being easily copied, and also for book coverings in place of leather or sheepskin. Railroads also use these substitutes, mainly for car curtains and coverings for seats.

Brain Weight and Intellect.

It is generally assumed that there exists a distant relationship between the size of the brain and intellectual capacity. There are not wanting facts, however, which run counter to this view, says The Humanitarian. One salient example is that of the late French statesman, Gambetta, whose brain weighed only 1,200 grams. On the other hand, the heaviest brain on record is that of a London newspaper boy, whose brain weighed 2,400 grams, in spite of the fact that he is stated to have been "a bit of an idiot." A brain weighing 2,340 grams once belonged to a Scandinavian peasant, of whose intellectual stature it may be said that "previous to the age of 70 he never showed signs of any extraordinary intelligence, and he has never shown any since." A female Indian dwarf had a brain which weighed no less than 2,200 grams, being 70 grams heavier than the brain of Turgeneff, the celebrated Russian novelist. The average weight of the human brain has been variously put at from 1,500 to 1,650 grams, and an analysis of the brain weights of 60 intellectual men works out an average of 1,776 grams, which is not much superior to the average. Evidently quantity of brain substance is of less importance than quality in respect of the possession of intellectual qualities of a high order.

Dish Drainer.

An improvement in the drain board usually to be found at the side of the kitchen sink has been recently made which will be recognized by every housewife as a very excellent innova-



DRAINING DISHES.

tion. The board is inclined toward the sink, as usual, with a series of parallel grooves extending in the direction of the incline. The walls of these grooves are recessed so as to hold a plate or dish of similar shape in an upright position while it is draining and after it has been through the wash water.

Earthquakes.

Some years ago Commander Morrison, an officer of the British navy who foretold from the stars the civil war in this country, formulated the following rules for predicting earthquakes. These conditions are about to be fulfilled, and, according to him, we may look for mother earth to become restless:

1. Earthquakes generally follow close on the heels of eclipses.

2. At the time of the earthquake many aspects will be found between the planets in the heavens; also as regards the places of the planets at the previous eclipse.

3. Earthquakes generally happen when there are several planets on or near the tropics or equator.

4. Earthquakes happen more frequently when there are planets, especially Uranus, Saturn, Jupiter or Mars, in the sign Taurus or Scorpio.

While there is life there is hope.

I WAS afflicted with catarrh; could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it. —Marcus G. Shautz, Rahway, N. J.

THE BALM reached me safely and the effect is surprising. My son says the first application gave decided relief. Respectfully, Mrs. Franklin Freeman, Dover, N. H.

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Two Hundred and Twenty-six acres on Roan's Island on Cape Fear river. Some valuable Cypress and Gum timber.

Eighty Acres Near Burgaw.

One 80-acre tract of Land within half mile of Burgaw. None cleared, but easily put in state of cultivation.

Valuable Farm near Greenville, N. C.

A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

Farm of 143 Acres

in Long Creek village, Pender county—95 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

2,000 Acres of Land

in New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 20 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

Fifty Acres of Land

One half mile from South Washington, on the W. & W. R. R., in Pender county. Borders on county roads. Very valuable for trucking.

Property in Burgaw.

Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington

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One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. wo tenant houses.

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Not sick enough to take to bed or call a doctor, but just sick enough to not know what to do.

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That's what you ought to do—a good sensible tonic that will sharpen your appetite and put new "go" in your nerves and muscles. Come to-day and begin taking it right away. You'll find just what your system needs right here.

JAMES D. NUTT,

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect April 16, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.38 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 3.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.37 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 8.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 12.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.01 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1 40 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6 48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 3.30 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 7.58 A. M., Goldsboro 6.43 A. M., Warsaw 7.18 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 3.15 P. M No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 5.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M. Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 9 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M. Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.15 A. m; Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.18 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M. Wadesboro 12.38 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.06 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 6.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 10.25 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.36 P. M., 12.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.50 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.33 P. M., 11.33 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Dailyexcept Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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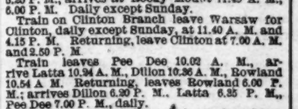

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P.TM.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 28.

PEREMPTORY DEMAND MADE UPON TURKEY

For Immediate Payment of Indemnity—Produced a Great Impression Upon the Porte.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—The American note handed to the Turkish Minister of foreign affairs, Tewfik Pasha, on Tuesday, is couched in peremptory terms, demanding immediate payment of the indemnity several times promised to Minister Straus by the Sultan. The note does not fix a time limit for an answer, but its tenor is not far from the character of an ultimatum. It has produced a great impression upon the Porte, which however, shows no disposition to modify the attitude hitherto maintained; merely repudiating the responsibility and seeking to diminish the importance of the matter. It is presumed that the Porte's reply will be in this sense, and hence it is feared the United States government will be obliged to take steps to enforce its demands.

Turkey's decision to send an officer to America to study naval construction is interpreted to be another sop. It is the revival of an old project to buy a cruiser in the United States, in the price of which the indemnity shall be included, so that the Porte will be able to say it has not paid the indemnity.

The American government has already categorically refused such a compromise, which would mean prolonged negotiations and the dragging out of the matter indefinitely, to which the United States will not listen. As regards the indemnity, it is in the nature of a debt of honor. If the Porte wants to buy a cruiser, that is a matter in no way connected with the indemnity.

The Porte's reply to the last collective note on the subject of duties has not been made, and the embassies are exchanging views in regard to the terms on which to consent to an increase of duty. It is thought that before the beginning of negotiations the embassies will invite the Porte to abolish ransoms and measures introduced in violation of treaties.

As Viewed in Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Beyond the statement that Mr. Griscom, the United States charge d'affaires at Constantinople, has been instructed to press vigorously for the payment of the American claims for indemnity, the officials here decline to divulge the nature of his instructions. They say that Mr. Griscom does not need express instructions to forward the claims, for he has of his own volition taken a rather advanced attitude in this matter and the presentation he is now making, though this time by express instruction, is in no respect more peremptory than his own preceding deliveries to the Turkish government.

Offer to Purchase a Warship.

Novel though the project was from a diplomatic standpoint, yet it is learned to be true that the effort was made by the Porte to pay this American claim under cover of an order for a warship to be built in the United States for Turkey. The reasons for the failure of the project were several. The United States government has no warships for sale and is not authorized to build any for foreign order. There is no warrant of law for entering into an arrangement with a private ship building concern for the collection of an international obligation in the manner proposed. Lastly, judging by the experience of concerns that have had dealings with the Turkish government, any ship-builder accepting an order from Turkey would require a guarantee from the United States government, and the net result of the transaction might be the assumption by the United States of an obligation as much larger than the original claims as the price of a battleship exceeds the $90,000. Even if these obstacles were overcome, the scheme would be an utter failure so far as concerns the accomplishment of the prime object, namely the secret payment to the United States of the indemnity with a view to avoiding demands from other nations for settlement of their claims, for under our open methods of business the transaction would have to be a matter of official record.

Other Claims Against Turkey.

One effect of this sudden application of pressure upon Turkey is a renewal of the applications from American holders of other claims against Turkey for a presentation of their cases. Save the missionary claims, the $90,000 indemnity contains only one small allotment of about $5,000 for the benefit of the family of the bicyclist who was killed in Turkey while making a circuit of the globe. But it is believed that, however well founded the outstanding claims may be, the present time is not regarded as propitious for urging them upon the attention of the Porte, as it is expected that nothing will be done to divert the negotiations from the missionary claims as the main issue.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, April 27th, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 27.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending April 27th, 1900:

	1900.	1899.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week	39,679	70,855
Total receipts to this date	6,160,757	7,852,259
Exports for week	83,894	64,714
Total exports to date	5,074,827	6,338,120
Stock in all U. S. ports	452,377	787,489
Stock at all interior towns	224,258	434,158
Stock in Liverpool,	647,000	1,616,000
American afloat for Great Britain	110,000	66,000

General U. S. Grant's birthday was observed at Galena, Ill., with Governor Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, as the principal orator.

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SENATE SEATED DAVID B. SCOTT.

The Case of Senator Clark of Montana to Be Called Up Next Week.

CLAIMS FOR COTTON SEIZED.

Argued by Senator Money—Opposed by Chandler—Alaska Bill Considered. Pension Bills Passed by House. Hawaiian Conference Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The Senate to day voted upon the resolution declaring David B. Scott to be entitled to his seat in the Senate from West Virginia. The number of votes in the negative was only three. Mr. Chandler gave notice that he would call up the case of Senator Clark, of Montana, on Wednesday of next week, but intimated that he would not press consideration until Senators could have time to read the testimony in the case.

Senator Money, Mississippi, by unanimous consent called up a bill to amend an act to provide for the collection of abandoned property and the prevention of frauds in insurrectionary districts within the United States. He offered an amendment in the form of a new section restricting the provisions of the bill to the proceeds of cotton seized and sold under the act of 1863.

Senator Money explained that the bill if passed would afford opportunity to owners of private property to go into the courts to establish their proprietorship of the cotton that fell into the hands of the authorized agents of the United States during the civil war. The doors would not, he said, be opened by the enactment of the law to a general raid on the treasury. He explained that the amount involved would be less than $5,000,000. The cotton had been seized by the United States military commanders, shipped to New York and there sold, the proceedings being placed in the treasury. There it had been since held there as a trust fund. He maintained that the owners of the seized cotton had a right to their pro rata share in this fund, because under the principles of of international law and the law of civilized warfare the government rightfully could not hold the proceeds of private property seized and sold during hostilities. He contended that decisions of the courts entitled the owners of this seized property to lay claim to their share of this property.

Senator Chandler said that half the money which the government had realized from the sale of seized and abandoned property had been returned in times past to the people of the South. He declared his intention, however, to do what he could to keep the little pittance that was left in the treasury. It had cost the United States government $600,000,000 and 300,000 lives, he said, to carry the civil war to a conclusion, and he thought it well to place this little pittance as a set-off against the enormous expenditure of $600,000,000.

Mr. Money said he had no doubt of the position of Mr. Chandler and fully expected him to act in accordance with his judgment, but there was a right in this case which no man ought to disregard.

He concluded with an appeal to Senators opposed to the measure to permit it to come to a vote.

The bill was then laid aside and consideration was resumed of the Scott seating resolution.

The Senate resumed consideration of the Alaskan bill, and Senator Rawlins, Utah, argued to show that under decisions of the courts aliens had no rights as against citizens in the location of mining claims.

At 5.15 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House broke all records to-day by passing ninety-one private pension bills. Among them was one granting $40 a month to the widow of the late Col. John M. Stotsenburg, of the First Nebraska, who was killed in the Philippines a year ago.

The conference report on the Hawaiian government bill was adopted—138 to 154—and the bill now goes to the President.

Saturday, May 19, was set aside for receiving the statue of General U. S. Grant, presented by the G. A. R.

Mr. Ray, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, reported back the Livingston resolution, calling upon the Attorney General for information as to what steps had been taken to remand B. D. Green, John T. Gaynor and W. T. Gaynor to the jurisdiction of the District Court of the Southern District of Georgia for trial, with the recommendation that it lie upon the table. Mr. Ray explained that the whole subject was to be heard next Friday. The report was adopted.

Mr. Loud, of California, arose to a question of personal privilege, and complained that in connection with the debate on the Postoffice Appropriation bill yesterday Mr. Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, had injected into the *Record* words not spoken in debate which reflected upon him (Mr. Loud). He characterized Mr. Fitzgerald in severe language. The latter made a spirited rejoinder, but on his own request the objectionable matter complained of was stricken out.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on private pension bills, and at 4.50 P. M. adjourned.

COLOMBIA'S REVOLUTION.

Principal Seaport in Hands of Revolutionists—Nicaraguans the Trouble.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—The State Department has received confirmation of the press report that Cartagena has fallen into the hands of the revolutionists.

Cartagena is the principal seaport of Colombia and collects most of the customs revenues of the country. Consequently, its capture will greatly strengthen the revolutionists. It is probable that the Navy Department will dispatch one of the smaller gunboats now cruising in the West Indies to the seat of trouble, in order to ensure American interests against loss.

The Colombian government has received information tending to demonstrate its contention that Nicaraguans are at the bottom of this last rebellion.

It is asserted that the revolutionists have fitted out a Nicaraguan gunboat named the Rayo, flying the Nicaraguan flag, which is now at Maracaibo, Venesuela, preparing to operate against Colombia.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Result of Base Ball Games Played Yesterday by the Clubs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Philadelphia—Brooklyn, 9; Philadelphia, 4.

Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 5; Cincinnati, 19.

New York—New York, 8; Boston, 4.

Chicago—Chicago, 6; St. Louis, 5.

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

New Orleans Exchange Statement—Receipts, Exports and Stocks—The Visible Supply.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, April 27.—Secretary Hester's weekly Cotton Exchange statement shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year of 16,000 bales; a decrease under the same time year before last of 9,000.

The amount brought into sight during the last week has been 55,778 bales, against 71,283 for the seven days ending this date last year and for the twenty seven days of April it has been 243,457, against 354,777 last year.

The total movement for the 239 days from September 1st to date is 8,517,043 bales, against 10,441,776 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 1,103,939, against 1,197,627 last year; interior stocks under those held September 1st 7,335, against 319,114; excess over September last year 236,273, and 47,714 same time in 1897; Northern mill takings 1,097,445, against 1,001,445 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 84,537 bales, against 60,687 last year, making the total thus far for the season 5,211,035 bales, against 6,414,236 last year. The total takings of American mills, North and South and Canada, thus far for the season have been 3,232,926 bales, against 3,070,824 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centres have decreased during the week 70,908 bales, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 39,951.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 9,315,941 bales, against 10,709,342 for the same period last year.

The Visible Supply.

Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed of 354,101 against the decrease of 84,471 last year.

The total visible is 2,877,814 against 3,131,915 last week and 4,915,075 last year. Of this the total of American cotton it 2,314,814 against 2,476,915 last week and 3,755,075 last year; of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 563,000 bales against 655,000 last week and 1,160,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and Continental Europe 1,801,000 bales against 2,777,000 last year; in Egypt, 152,000 against 215,000 last year; in India, 227,000 against 678,000 last year, and in the United States, 698,000 against 1,245,000 last year.

ANOTHER TEXAS FLOOD.

Heaviest Rain in Years—Waco Flooded. Several Persons Drowned—A Destructive Tornado.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WACO, TEXAS, April 27.—The heaviest rain in fifteen years fell in Waco and vicinity this afternoon. Reports of death and destruction are coming from every direction.

Between eight and ten persons have been drowned within the city limits of Waco and searching parties headed by the fire department are out looking for the drowned. So far the bodies of two white women, mother and daughter, and one negro, have been recovered. They are Mrs. Nancy Caudle, Miss Clara Caudle and Frank Walker.

The water is so high that progress is slow in the search for the dead.

Boats are being used in the principal streets on the south side to take people to safe places. In the basement of the Provident bank building, the largest and finest building in the city, water stands four feet deep. The basement of the mammoth establishment of the Tom Padgett Company is like wise flooded.

A report from Rockdale to the *Times Herald* states that the mines at that place were flooded this afternoon by the high water, drowning four men.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, April 27.—To-day there was an even heavier rainfall over Texas than during the past ten days and as a consequence all streams are out of their banks and rivers are again rising fast. An overflow of the Brazos is expected to-night at Hempstead.

Destructive Tornado.

BLOOM, TEXAS, April 27.—A tornado passed through the eastern part of this place at noon to-day, destroying several residences and a two story school building. Fortunately but two people were seriously hurt, one of whom, Eunice Hanks, will die. She was caught between two timbers and received internal injuries. About fifteen others were slightly hurt. Robert McCluskey's business house and the Baptist church are among the badly wrecked buildings; L. Robertson's residence was demolished and Robertson probably fatally injured. Mrs. Robertson was hurt about the head. The storm started about three miles south of the town and was nearly two hundred yards wide. The grain crop in the path of the storm is badly damaged and fruit trees are broken and stripped of fruit.

BOLD BANK BURGLARS.

Robbed a Bank at Strasburg, Va, of Five Thousand Dollars—Vault and Safe Wrecked With Explosives.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, Va., April 27.—The Massanutten Bank, at Strasburg, in Shenendoah county, was robbed this morning about 1 o'clock, and some $5,000 was secured by the burglars.

An entrance into the bank building was effected with a skeleton key. The vault was forced with levers and the safe wrecked by means of nitro-glycerine.

There were eight men in the gang, most of whom stood guard in various sections of the town. They fired a number of pistol shots to draw attention from the bank. Several citizens who looked out of their windows were ordered to withdraw on threat of being shot.

After the robbery the men collected and took a hand car at the Southern depot and went to Riverton, where all trace of them was lost. The safe and vault are perfect wrecks and it will require about $860 to replace them. The bank is a member of the American Bankers' Association and carried burglar insurance to about cover the loss.

Several suspicious characters were seen in the neighborhood of Strasburg last night.

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BOERS BAFFLED GEN. ROBERTS.

Got Away Without Loss But With Seven British Guns and Prisoners.

NO ADVANCE ON PRETORIA.

Complaints and Criticisms Beginning to Be Heard Against Lord Roberts—Gen. Botha Capable Successor to Gen. Joubert.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, April 28, 4.55 A. M.—In Commandant General Louis Botha the Boers appear to have found a capable successor to Joubert. As the result of his insight and quick decision, it may be assumed now that the retreating commandoes have got ten safely away with the transport.

It is true that Lord Roberts' dispatch leaves much unsaid as to the whereabouts of other forces than those of General French and General Rundle Nothing is said about the troops of General Brabant, Pole-Carew, Hart and Chermside, but the indications from Aliwal North show that several small commandoes are still hovering in the vicinity of Springfield, causing a certain amount of danger, and the advices from Dewet's Dorp, outlining the duties of General Chermside, justify the conclusion that it will still be necessary to employ a considerable body of troops to keep the Free State clear of Boers.

The position is that the Boers, who began their raid a month ago by compelling Colonel Broadwood to retire on Bloemfontein, have now gotten safely away to the northward, practically without loss, and with the advantage of seven British guns together with a hundred or more prisoners captured. The advance to Pretoria has not yet begun. Small wonder is it that muffled complaints and criticisms are beginning to be heard here and there against Lord Roberts. Two-thirds of his entire force have been employed in effecting this small satisfaction and the probability is that the whole force must be again concentrated on Bloemfontein before the main advance begins. As similar raids on the British communications are likely to be repeated it is evidently still a far cry to Pretoria.

Gen. French's Movements.

LONDON, April 27.—The War Office has issued the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, Friday, April 27:

"General French reached Thaba N'Chu this morning with cavalry. He met General Hamilton and General Smith-Dorriens brigades there.

"The enemy were still holding the eastern outlet of the town where from General French and General Hamilton were proceeding to turn them out.

"General Rundle's division was eight miles south of Thaba N'Chu last evening."

Estimate of Boer Forces.

LONDON, April 27.—According to a special dispatch from Lorenzo Marques the latest authentic estimates of the Boer forces place them at 30,900, of which 13,000 are at Kroonstad, 6,000 at Fourteen Streams, 6,000 in Natal, 700 about Mafeking and 1,000 at Pretoria, while 250 have been ordered north to intercept General Carrington's force. The work of entrenching Pretoria is proceeding.

A dispatch from Kimberly says enteric fever is so rampant there that the city officials are urging the military authorities to remove the camps from the towns and discontinue the use of public buildings as hospitals with the view of better safeguarding public health.

DARING TRAIN ROBBERY.

A Lone Bandit Plundered Passengers on the Iron Mountain Road.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 27.—Posses are scouring the woods in White county in search of the lone bandit who robbed the southbound passenger train on the Iron Mountain railroad, near Higginson. As the robber left the train with about $500 booty he was fired upon by some of the train crew, but he made good his escape. One passenger, E. Riegel, of New York, was robbed of $315. The bandit compelled Conductor Collett to go ahead of him and awaken the passengers. He returned all watches and jewelry, keeping only the money handed him by the passengers. Only the St. Louis sleeper and the Memphis chair car were robbed, after which the robber pulled the air cord and as the train slowed up, jumped off and disappeared.

FOR THE FIRE SUFFERERS.

Relief Measures Instituted—Subscription Opened at Chicago.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, MICH., April 27.—Mayor Maybury to day telegraphed the mayor of Ottawa, Ont., extending sympathy and asking whether the people of Detroit can be of assistance in aiding the homeless and destitute.

CHICAGO, April 27.—Mayor Harrison to-day opened subscriptions for the Ottawa, Ont., fire sufferers. The list was headed by Mrs. Cyrus McCormick and grew rapidly during the day.

OTTAWA, ONT., April 27.—The government, at a cabinet meeting to-day, decided to give $100,000 to relieve the sufferers of the Ottawa and Hull fire. Ten thousand dollars will be given for immediate use. The city council has decided to give $10,000.

TOBACCO SEIZED.

Packages Alleged to Contain More Than the Stamps Call For.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—Officers to-day seized 1,000 pounds of tobacco sent here by the Sparger Brothers Company of Mount Airy, N. C. The packages have, it is claimed, not the full amount of stamps on them and contain a quarter of an ounce more tobacco than the stamps call for. A similar seizure was made a few weeks ago of tobacco from a St. Louis factory.

THE GOEBEL ASSASSINATION.

Grand Jury Will Make Report Monday. The Indictment Against Taylor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., April 27.—Franklin county grand jury completed its labors to-day, but its final report will not be made till Monday. Over one hundred witnesses were examined in connection with the Goebel assassination case. It is unofficially stated that the indictment said to have been found against Taylor will be entered on record then.

THE TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE.

Sympathetic Action Proposed to Help the Southern Operators—The Organization Determined to Win.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, April 27.—The *Chronicle* says: "A committee representing the striking Southern Railway operators has been in Chicago several days conferring with prominent members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, regarding sympathetic action to help the Southerners win. A number of secret meetings have been held. At these conferences a question of a sympathetic strike has been received warmly. A large sum, probably, will be contributed by operators here for the support of the men on the Southern road now out.

"According to a recorded plan a sympathetic strike may be ordered on all important railroad systems east of the Mississippi river. The strikers' committee may visit other important railroad centres to work up similar sentiment for the Southern men. Already, it is said, the telegraph operators on the Baltimore and Ohio, Pittsburg and Lake Erie and Pittsburg and Western, have made demands for increase in wages from 10 to 20 per cent.

"Members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers here say this is the first strike of importance ever authorized by the order, and the men are determined that it shall succeed, as the life or death of the organization depends on the result. More than forty-seven thousand railway telegraphers in the United States are members of the order."

THE OTTAWA AND HULL FIRE.

Total Loss Estimated at $20,000,000—Insurance $12,000,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TORONTO, ONT., April 27.—Dispatches from Ottawa summarize the situation at Ottawa and Hull as follows:

Ottawa's buildings destroyed, 2,000; Hull, buildings destroyed, 1,800. Total loss, both cities, estimated at $20,000,000; total insurance, both cities, estimated at $12,000,000; lives lost, so far known, four.

WARM WIRELETS.

Queen Victoria is back at Windsor Castle, Eng., where she arrived yesterday evening.

President and Mrs. McKinley arrived in Washington yesterday morning from Canton, Ohio.

All the Edinburg, Scotland, fire insurance companies are heavily involved in the Ottawa fire.

A bad wreck is reported at Fort Valley, thirty miles from Macon, Ga., on the Southwestern Railway. Several people are supposed to be fatally injured.

It is believed that American fire insurance companies will suffer but little from the Ottawa fire. Foreign companies will have to pay most of the claims.

The total bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ending April 26th, were $1,732,446,408; a decrease of 4.5 per cent. Outside of New York city, $647,235,678; an increase of 5.3 per cent.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations has completed consideration of the Fortifications appropriation bill. The additions made by the committee aggregate $640,140, bringing the total appropriation up to $7,733,628.

The Senate in executive session yesterday ratified the treaty with Spain, extending for six months the time in which Spanish residents of the Philippines may decide whether they will remain subjects of Spain or become citizens of the Philippines.

A commercial house in Madrid has received a dispatch from Cuba saying that Jesus Rabi, the Cuban leader, has headed an "insurrectionary" movement in the province of Santiago, which the sender of the dispatch believes to be "supported by the chief towns of the province."

A special to the Atlanta *Constitution*, from Raleigh, N. C., says: "A member of Governor Russell's staff states that Governor Taylor, of Kentucky, has been advised to employ Governor Russell as counsel for his defence. The Governor's decision is not yet known."

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